

THEY DON'T CARE

Nothing to Fear From New Federal Probe of H. C. of L.

"Cattle Scarcity Due to Breaking Up of Large Ranches."

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Chicago packers are not in the least worried over the prospect of a government investigation into the high price of foods, especially meats, and are waiting unconcerned for any action that Hinton G. Clabaugh, head of the local branch of the department of justice, may take.

"I see no reason to believe that the investigation asked by President Wilson will be directed especially against packing interests here," J. Ogden Armour said. "I don't think that the packers have anything to fear from such investigations."

Mr. Armour refused to state whether his company would allow the federal investigators to go over their books. He also refused to make any comments "that would bear any light on the present food price situation."

"The explanation for the situation," Thomas E. Wilson, head of Wilson & Co., said, "is the changed condition in the west. The great amount of meat formerly produced in the west was due to ranches of tremendous size. These ranches have been broken up into small grain farms. The west, however, is gradually readjusting itself and there is a tendency to devote more and more space on these smaller farms to cattle raising."

Hinton Clabaugh, federal investigator, who perhaps will have charge of any move made here, refused to comment upon his orders from Washington, further than to say that he is at present gathering a great mass of evidence and information on prices and suspected price fixing conspiracies to the department.

PERU NOTE TO U. S.

Reply Forwarded to Washington Today Supports Wilson.

Lima, Peru, Feb. 10.—Peru's reply to the American note suggesting unity of action among neutrals will be forwarded to the United States today. There is every indication that Peru has decided to support President Wilson's program, although the text of the message is as yet withheld.

Peru's reply to the German note was sent last night. It was a strongly worded protest.

AGENTS FOR GERMANY

Sweden Takes Over Kaiser's Interest in Russia and Egypt.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—German interests in hostile countries which, in most instances, have been transferred by American to Swiss representatives, have been taken over in Russia and Egypt by Sweden. British interests in Germany have been transferred to Holland and those of Japan, Rumania and Serbia, as well as the United States, to Spain.

WILL SELL RAILROAD

Indiana Holdings of Pre-Marquette Ordered Disposed Of.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 12.—The sale of the Indiana assets of the Pre-Marquette railroad has been ordered by Judge A. B. Anderson in federal court here. The railroad has been in the hands of receivers for some time and the order here is similar to one made in Detroit recently authorizing the sale of the road. The upset price for the entire road has been fixed at \$10,100,000.

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COOPER IS BOUND OVER

Preliminary Hearing Concluded in the Court of Topeka Today.

When the preliminary trial of Ezra Cooper, charged with killing Burt F. Hunt, was resumed this morning, in the court of Topeka, attorneys agreed to discontinue with arguments and Cooper was bound over to the district court under a bond of \$5,000.

Cooper already had his bond posted and was released. W. E. Atchison, attorney for Cooper, announced that the trial in the district court will come up at the April term.

AUTOS CROSS HUDSON

River Frozen Over—Most Severe Cold of Winter in New England.

Saratoga, N. Y., Feb. 12.—It was 10 degrees below zero in this vicinity this morning, the coldest of the winter.

New York, Feb. 12.—A drop in the temperature to three degrees above zero at 7:30 a. m. today, brought to this city the coldest winter weather of the season. The official forecast was that it would turn warmer.

Rivers and bays about New York are filled with heavy drifting ice fields today, interfering to some extent with navigation. For the first time in five years the Hudson is solidly frozen over the 8-mile stretch between Tarrytown and Nyack. Hundreds of persons have walked from shore to shore and several automobiles have safely negotiated the trip in Vermont.

Boston, Feb. 12.—The coldest weather of the winter was reported by a number of points in New England today. Minimum temperatures during the night ranged from 24 degrees below zero to 6 above. In Boston the minimum was zero, as compared with 2 above on February 3, when the lowest mark in three years was shown by official bureau figures.

Northfield, Vt., showed a minimum of 24 below while Burlington, Vt., with 18 below and Portland, Me., with 10 below, were among other cities from which the bureau received reports of intense cold.

Cleveland, Feb. 12.—The thermometer registered 10 degrees below zero here this forenoon. It was the coldest day since February 10, 1883, when the temperature dropped to 16 below. Low was pressure and a shower of cold made the situation exceptionally serious.

BILLS OUT OF THE WAY

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Don. But to date the legislature has approached the governor's program with timidity and caution even though \$1,500 a minute eloquence has been displayed by certain members at state expense.

House Has Run Riot. In the matter of proposed reforms and welfare provisions, the legislature—especially the house—has run riot. It has introduced welfare and reform measures ranging from a \$1,000 appropriation for sick honey bees to physical examinations for prospective June brides. The house has sought to put Kansas in the nice column of the passage of a bill providing a \$25 pension for any person who smokes a cigarette. Then it passed a "snaky" instead of "snaky" in the administration's mothers' pension law and gave the administration hotel inspection bill a dose of prussic acid instead of soothing syrup.

Both houses at this time seem to indicate a general willingness to pass appropriate legislation and to give the week the house will work on a number of special orders including the constitutional provisions, the bill for the man city government, the highway bills. They may check the matters back to the senate. But there are excellent prospects that the house may balk at some unexpected stage in the proceedings.

Minority a Rabble. Any fight in the house will come from within the ranks of the Republican members with prospects of a split in the minority. Up to this time the house minority has displayed the same excellent training, organization and leadership that characterized Coxey's army. All of which makes uncertain any final action the house may take. Added to the uncertainty of house conditions must be considered personal desires, hopes and ambitions of certain individual members.

It is probable Governor Capper will have an excellent crop of lawmakers about whose action he may make selections for certain jobs.

Add to the ambitions of other men on the floor the gubernatorial aspirations of Speaker Keene and an excellent basis is provided for figuring ultimate results. Nor does that mean that the program of the house will be the convictions. It merely means that the conditions which exist are common straws which indicate to observers the possible trend of legislation.

The Quiet Summer. Many members of both houses have received the quiet call to the governor's private office during the last two weeks. In the senate the call affected principally the governor's personal request that members vote for the conservative convention in solution. Thru the same policy, it is reported, an effort will this week be made to force the city manager bill thru the house. The measure passed the senate without a fight.

Two years ago the legislature broke records in the introduction of bills. This year the record is below that of 1915. The record of nearly 1,400 bills compares with a record of nearly 1,800 bills for the same period two years ago.

It is probable that both houses will this week appoint revision committees. The program of the administration will be to push to the front the measures suggested in the governor's message and to have the bills will probably come up under general orders within the next two weeks. Both the house and senate have means communications have been actually finished work on the big appropriation bills. These bills are to be pushed to the passage and both houses will probably adjourn sine die not later than March 15.

MENACE WATER MAIN

Fire on Suspect Near Aqueduct Carrying New York Supply.

New York, Feb. 12.—A rifle shot fired at two men who approached the Pleasantville meter of the Catskill aqueduct carrying a suit case, brought fresh reports today of the danger in which the water supply of the city is placed. The two men escaped, racing away from a pursuing soldier in an automobile which was left at the foot of an embankment.

LINCOLN'S MEMORY IS HONORED TODAY



Abraham Lincoln, born February 12, 1809.

WATSONSON ON LINCOLN.

Born as lowly as the Son of God, in a hovel; reared in penury, squalor, with no gleam of light or fair surroundings, without graces, actual or acquired; without name or fame or official training; it was reserved for this strange being, late in life, to be snatched from obscurity, raised to supreme command at a supreme moment, and entrusted with the destiny of a nation.

The great leaders of his party, the most experienced and accomplished public men of the world were witness before him, while he stood before the people, this fantastic figure was led by unseen hands to the front and given the reins of power. It is immaterial whether we were for him or against him; wholly immaterial. That, during four years, carrying with them such a weight of responsibility as the world never witnessed before, he filled the vast space allotted to him in the eyes and actions of mankind, is to say that he was inspired of God, for nowhere else could he have acquired the wisdom and the virtue.

Where did Shakespeare get his genius? Where did Mozart get his music? Whose hand wrote the lyrics of the Scottish ploughman, and stayed the life of the German priest? God, God and God alone; and as surely as these were raised up by God, inspired by God, was Abraham Lincoln; and a thousand years hence, no drama, no tragedy, no epic poem will be filled with greater wonder, or be followed by mankind with deeper feeling than that which tells the story of his life and death.—Peroration of address before the Lincoln Union at the Chicago Auditorium, February 12, 1905.

BEFORE SUICIDE ALTAR ARMY TRAINING AT "U"

Hungry and Cold Aged Couple's Attempt Is Failure.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Life had reached its darkest moment. Outside the wind moaned and the 10 below chill penetrated the thin walls of the cottage. The hearth was cold and the pantry empty.

So Albert Strakowski, three score years and ten, and his wife, Mary, who had been married, decided to give up the struggle.

Neighbors today broke down the door to the little wooden cottage. Before them lay a man—a man—calf, bible and an unlighted candle—they found the aged couple, unconscious, clasped in each other's arms.

The gas jet was open, but low pressure had prevented the fumes from doing their work effectively.

Albert was taken to the hospital. Prudencia promised to finish the work that gas failed to do. At the home of friendly neighbors his wife repeatedly mutters, in her sane moments:

"God is good. Soon I'm going home."

Police are searching for a son and daughter, said to reside in Chicago.

A FAIR WEEK AHEAD

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lowest mark ever recorded at any time of the year in more than thirty years at Topeka.

The wind this morning was making twelve miles an hour from the south-east. The moon tonight rises at 11:41 o'clock.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Duluth, Minn.	20	-16	0	Cloudy
El Paso, Tex.	62	36	0	Clear
Galveston, Tex.	62	36	0	Clear
Haver, Mont.	22	12	0	Cloudy
Indianapolis, Ind.	20	0	0	Clear
Jacksonville, Fla.	70	48	0	Clear
Kansas City, Mo.	20	12	0	Clear
Little Rock, Ark.	22	20	0	Clear
Los Angeles, Cal.	58	41	0	Clear
New Orleans, La.	70	38	0	Clear
New York, N. Y.	36	20	0	Clear
N. Platte, Neb.	24	12	0	Fair
Oklahoma City, Okla.	20	10	0	Fair
Pittsburg, Ariz.	72	42	0	Cloudy
Pittsburg, Pa.	10	-4	0	Snow
Portland, Ore.	46	40	0	Cloudy
St. Joseph, Mo.	22	10	0	Cloudy
St. Louis, Mo.	20	12	0	Cloudy
St. Paul, Minn.	22	10	0	Clear
Salt Lake, Utah.	30	20	0	Clear
San Francisco, Cal.	50	40	0	Clear
Sault Ste. Marie.	12	-24	0	Clear
Seattle, Wash.	50	44	0	Rain
Spokane, Wash.	36	34	0	Cloudy
Spokane, Wash.	36	34	0	Cloudy
Swift Current, Sas.	18	0	0	Cloudy
St. Joseph, Mo.	22	10	0	Cloudy
Toledo, O.	14	10	0	Clear
TOPEKA, KAN.	24	12	0	Clear
Waco, Tex.	66	42	0	Clear
Washington, D. C.	28	10	0	Fair
Wichita, Kan.	30	14	0	Clear
Winnipeg, Man.	4	-12	0	Cloudy

and other examinations at the border were made in a formal way.

Thought U. S. Seized Intelligence

Copenhagen dispatches today insisted that when Gerard firmly refused to sign such a protocol German officials realized that the basis of the deal was a secret. The dispatches also revealed hint that certain American officials might be held in Berlin, presumably as hostages. At the same time Gerard was reported to have been in contact with Washington by his code, plain messages only being permitted to pass through the German embassy. Today came also reports indicating German realization that she acted too quickly in certain moves in the recent diplomatic maneuvers. The dispatches from Berlin intercepted here today contained lengthy near-apologies from German officials over their mistaken assumption that the United States would not take German ships in American ports.

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DELAY ROAD BILL

The Senate Will Not Act on It Until the House Does.

Barr Says That the Measure Ought to Please Everybody.

NO HOLIDAY IN UPPER HOUSE

Members Work Hard Despite It Being Lincoln's Birthday.

Ferrell Intimates That Lawmakers Harbor Rabbits.

Good roads legislation will not come up in the senate until after the House has disposed of it. The Senate is waiting on the House. The matter was on the calendar for special order at 10:30 o'clock today but when the order was reached Senator Barr, of Bourbon, chairman of the committee on roads and bridges, moved that it be passed over and made a special order for Thursday at 10:30 o'clock.

A special meeting of the Senate road and bridges committee, with several good roads enthusiasts, was called for Sunday afternoon in the office of the attorney general, but the meeting was not held. For some reason the members were unable to get together. The meeting will now be held Wednesday evening.

"I think we have most of the objections removed from the bill," said Chairman Barr today. "We have been over it time after time and have fixed first one thing, then another. Anyone who is for good roads certainly ought to be satisfied with the bill. It stands now. However, we will hold another meeting Wednesday night."

Rabbits in Senate?

By implication Senator Ferrell, of Chautauque, charged the Senate with harboring rabbits today. A bill was up for final passage dealing a small amount of land at various points to the U. S. T. railway company for use for sidetracks. The bill was introduced by Kimball, of Labette, and it contained a preamble explaining the reason for the measure. The preamble preceded the enacting clause and while the measure was not subject to amendment and debate the title always is. Senator Ferrell moved to cut out the preamble.

"The senate doesn't have to explain why it passes laws," he declared, "and I see no reason why this body of men should put that explanation in the law. If it is right to pass the law, let's pass it but let's not explain."

Senator Kimball explained that while he introduced the bill he did not intend to explain it. "This measure," he said, "was handed to me by the board of control and I introduced it just as it came to me. I don't know what it would have contained no preamble, but I see no objection to it now that it is in."

"What excuse is there for it?" demanded Senator Ferrell. "It might make unnecessary some explaining two years hence."

Ferrell did not insist upon his motion and it was not put.

No Holiday Today.

The senate is working today the same as if it were not a holiday. Success was taken Saturday afternoon instead of an adjournment. Under this method of procedure the records of today's work should show that it was done on Saturday, but the senate calendar shows Monday. Technically today is a continuation of Saturday in the senate, yet President Morgan held that the introduction of all bills except committee bills ceased Saturday and no new bills were introduced today.

The senate spent the morning session calling the roll on bills recommended for passage by the committee of the whole Saturday. The bills passed by the committee were: Substitute for senate bill No. 61, providing for a change of venue in civil cases.

Substitute for senate bill No. 11, relating to the holding of hearings of claims against estates in the probate court.

Senate bill No. 62, providing for a stay of execution and a supersedeas bond in certain cases.

House bill No. 67, fixing the ages at which persons may be admitted to state soldiers' home.

Substitute for senate bill No. 149, relating to examinations for county teachers' certificates.

Senate bill 370, relating to the general statutes of 1903 and legalizing all laws of the state of 1903 made in bills passed by the legislature.

Substitute for senate bill No. 57, authorizing the county superintendent to fill vacancies upon school boards.

Senate bill No. 210, authorizing the Board of Control to convey four lots at Parsons to the M. K. & T. railway company for use as siding grounds.

Senate bill 196, authorizing the mayor and council of first class cities levy a tax not to exceed one mill for the maintenance of a fire department and for fire equipment.

Senate bill No. 68, providing that the instrument of sale filed with the register of deeds shall be construed as notice of the transaction to all subsequent purchasers.

Chicago Organizes Hospital Corps. Chicago, Feb. 12.—Chicago physicians, surgeons and nurses are organizing a fully equipped and fully manned hospital unit. Provision for five hundred beds will be made. The unit consists of 173 men and 46 women. Most of the members have been serving and several belong to the federal reserve of the United States army.

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MINNEAPOLIS FIRE

(Continued from Page One.)

Sullivan, of engine company No. 4 was struck over the head with a club and his scalp cut.

More than a score of the injured who were rushed to adjacent hospitals are now in the city. Confusion prevailed and definite estimates of the dead were difficult early today. The police claimed to have seen one woman dressed in a filmy nightie, leap from the second floor of the hotel, to death on the pavements. Whether this was Mrs. Squire, previously accounted for, is not known.

The hotel is a semi-fashionable residence hotel.

Is Ice Encased Tomb.

Firemen base their belief that many perished in the fire on the statement of Allen Paulson, one of the first to arrive at the scene of the blaze. He said he saw many persons come to third floor windows and cry for help, then fall back into the flames. All of these perished, firemen believe.

On account of the heavy coat of ice which formed over the ruins of the building, firemen have been delayed in their search for the bodies of other possible victims. Search will be started late today or tomorrow, Chief Ringer said.

Ovenstons Used as Life Net.

George Oslund clung to a window ledge until his fingers were frozen with the cold. Then he let go. When he fell, he struck Ernie Johnson, who was entering the building to help those on the lower floor. Johnson broke Oslund's fall and probably saved his life. Both men were slightly hurt.

Miss Ruth Reams, who roomed with Mrs. Lucille Squire, the woman who died from injuries suffered when she leaped from the third story window, jumped from the same window about five minutes after Mrs. Squire jumped. She was caught in an improvised net made of spectators' overcoats.

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HEAVY... \$10.00 to \$11.00
LIGHT... \$9.00 to \$10.00
Pigs... \$9.00 to \$10.00
Good to choice... \$5.50 to \$6.00
Fair to good... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Good to choice... \$5.50 to \$6.00
Fair to good... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Common to fair... \$4.50 to \$5.00
Hedge... \$4.50 to \$5.00
Fleshly... \$5.50 to \$6.00
Prime fat... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Medium good... \$4.50 to \$5.00
Fair... \$4.00 to \$4.50
Fat wethers... \$7.00 to \$8.00
Fair to good... \$6.00 to \$7.00
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